REMARKS

Please cancel Claims 1 and 3-7 without prejudice. Claims 15-21 and 23-

24 are pending.

Applicants thank the Examiner for allowing Claims 15-21 and 23-24.

103 Rejections

According to the instant Office Action, Claims 1 and 3-7 are rejected

under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). These claims are canceled herein, rendering the

rejection of these claims moot at this time.

Conclusions

In light of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully

request allowance of the instant application.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative

if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present

Application.

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